

FIRST REFORMED CHURCH of SOUTH HOLLAND Sunday, January 18, 2026



Welcome to First Reformed Church!

In the church calendar, we are in the season of Epiphany, which began January 4. Epiphany has to do with light: things that are unclear becoming clear, things that are hidden being revealed, places that were once impassable becoming accessible.

During Epiphany, we celebrate the message of Jesus. The things that were hinted at in the Old Testament are now made perfectly clear in Him. People who were once outsiders are brought in through Him. People who were once trapped in darkness now are rescued by His light.

We are here because we're basking in Jesus' light, experiencing His rescue, and being welcomed into His family. And we're happy to welcome you to worship, grow, and rejoice with us today!

THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY Sunday, January 18, 2026

WE APPROACH GOD

Organ Prelude

"I Love to Tell the Story"

"Psalm 27"

"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name"

*Welcome & Greeting One Another

Pastor Corey Buchanan

*Congregational Worship

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

"God the Uncreated One"

Prayer of Confession

Pastor Corey Buchanan

Song of Assurance

"His Glory & My Good"

THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture

Mark 5:1-20

Message

"The Day of Salvation" – Dr. Matt Tuininga

WE RESPOND TO GOD

Congregational Prayer

Russ Paarlberg

Offertory

Moment for Mission: Cru Inner City

*Doxology

*Benediction

Dr. Matt Tuininga

*Sending in Grace

"In This Dry Land"

*Organ Postlude

"Jesus Saves!"

*Those who are able please stand.

Please, join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after worship for a cup of conversation and a cookie.

UP & COMING AT FIRST...

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18

GREETERS: Gerri VanBaren and Rodger Norris

WORSHIP TEAM: Kim Bolkema, Nolan Bolkema, Nikki Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, and Liam VanderWoude

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Anthony Bolkema

PROJECTION: Jonathan VanderWoude; **VIDEO:** Keith Flowers

SOUND: Rhonda Hesselink

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Amber Fransen

COFFEE SERVERS: Dave & Becky Wright and Roger & Judy Gill

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Rhonda DeBok, Joanne Hoeksema, and Gerri VanBaren

PRAYER ROOM ELDER: Jim Bosman

MONDAY, JANUARY 19 - Martin Luther King Day

Church Office and Daycare Closed

6:00PM: Worship Committee meets in the Heritage Room

6:00PM: F-PEC meets in Fellowship Hall

7:00PM: Music Team meets in the Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21

10:00AM: 1st Impressions meets in the Fellowship Hall

7:00PM: Day Care Board Meeting in the Heritage Room

THURSDAY, JANUARY 22

4:00PM-6:00PM: Clothing Closet in the Activity Center

SUNDAY, JANUARY 25

GREETERS: Don & Nyla DeGraff

WORSHIP TEAM: Joe Fransen, Bill Nyhanna, Nick Paarlberg, Abby Veldboom, Benjamin Wooley, and Robert Wooley

ORGAN: Joanne Hoeksema; **PIANO:** Amy Veldboom

PROJECTION: Gwen Adams; **VIDEO:** Eric Pradelski; **SOUND:** Aaron Wooley

NURSERY: Darcy Daly and Sara Jabaay

COFFEE SERVERS: Don & Noreen VanDeursen, Gwen Adams and Faye Gowens

COOKIE VOLUNTEERS: Nyla DeGraff, Amber Fransen, and Nancy DeVries

PRAYER ROOM ELDER: Jim DeGroot

CARE...

Wayne Deinema had a stroke and is at Franciscan Dyer Hospital.

Sharon Dinkel had a pacemaker procedure at Silver Cross Hospital and is now experiencing complications due to her MS and some infections. She is back at Burgess Square Health Care Rehab.

Eric Pradelski requests prayers as he continues to experience ongoing mental health unrest.

Mary Ann Gouwens has completed her rehab and is back at Park Place in a new Room, 3216.

Charles Dinkel is home recovering from surgery that repaired his broken arm.

Phil Capone is recovering from his angioplasty that he had on Tuesday, Dec. 23.

Anna Mae Groeneveld continues at home in hospice care.

Lisa Magnon, Anna Collins' daughter and primary care giver for Anna, has been diagnosed with lung cancer and is starting immunotherapy and chemotherapy.

Sharon Brooks' mom, **Paula Amos**, has started immunotherapy for her cancer.

Sharon's grandfather has been diagnosed with esophageal cancer and will be going into hospice care.

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Harriet DeYoung, Elevate Health Care, Room #108, 16300 Wausau Ave., South Holland, IL 60473

Continue to pray for those battling cancer, going through treatments, facing side effects, or caring for a loved one with cancer and for those giving care to parents, spouses, siblings, children, and/or friends who are struggling.

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV) reads, *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*

ON DUTY FOR JANUARY...

First Security: Barry Voss

First Emergency: Alison VanderWoude

CHURCH LIFE...

WE WELCOME Dr. Matt Tuininga to our pulpit this morning. Dr. Tuininga is the Professor of Christian Ethics and the History of Christianity at Calvin Theological Seminary in Grand Rapids, MI, teaching courses in ethics, history, and political thought. Dr. Tuininga is also a published author and editor. Matt and his wife Elizabeth have three children. We are grateful for his presence with us this morning!

A SPECIAL BLESSING to Grace Jacobsma as she celebrated her 90th birthday this past week. Happy Birthday, Grace!

YOUR 2025 ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENTS are available in the Fellowship Hall for the next two Sundays. If you should have any questions, please contact Rodger Norris at 708-337-9953.

NOMINATING BALLOTS for the **Tuesday, May 12**, Congregational Meeting were placed in your mail slots (shut-ins and those out-of-town were mailed). Your completed ballots should be placed in the ballot boxes on the Narthex shelves by the morning of **Sunday, February 1**.

HAVE YOU BEEN HEARD? Our congregation has a once-in-five-year opportunity to participate in the 2026 Christian Reformed Church denominational survey. This survey helps denominational leadership understand the concerns and needs of local congregations like ours. It is crucial that as many people from our congregation as possible participate. Please visit crcna.org/survey/14207 to answer the survey questions by **Tuesday, March 31**.

OASIS (Junior & Senior High Students) meets tonight, Sunday, January 18, from 6:30-8:00pm in the Activity Center and Fellowship Hall. If you are or know of a student in 6th – 12th grade who would like to participate in this ministry, please email Anthony at anthony@frcsh.org.

BE SURE TO VISIT THE WELCOME CENTERS and sign cards for our shut-ins. Please also remember to empty your mail slots.

CLOTHING CLOSET: We rejoice that our Clothing Closet is continuing to be a blessing to our community. The Clothing Closet will be open this month on Thursday, January 22. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Anthony Bolkema. The clothing closet will be open from 4pm-6pm, as well as approximately 30-45 minutes before and after those time slots for setup and cleanup.

LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES...

SUNDAY SCHOOL continues for all ages from 11:00am - noon. **PreK-8th Grade** gather to sing, work on memory verses, and collect an offering in the Genesis Room from **11:00-11:0am**, then move to their classrooms until noon.

- PreK–2nd Grades/Genesis Room
- 3rd–5th Grades/Library
- 6th–8th Grades starts/Genesis Room
- 9th–12th Grades/Chapel
- Tibstra House/Heritage Room

THE LADIES’ MORNING BIBLE STUDY will meet on **Tuesday, January 27**, at 9:30am in the Genesis Room. We will watch the video, “Peace in the Patience of Jesus,” and fill in study guide p. 92. Hope to see you there!

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED to join an evening Bible study on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. We meet next on **Wednesday, January 28** at 6:30pm in the Genesis Room. All are welcome to attend! Contact Joanne Hoeksema or Alison VanderWoude if you have any questions.

ALL MEN ARE INVITED to join a new evening Bible study on the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. We meet next on **Wednesday, January 28** at 6:30pm in the Heritage Room. Please consider joining the men of First Reformed as we seek to grow in the grace and truth of the gospel. See Steve VanderWoude if you have any questions.

OUR CURRENT CONSISTORY & TRUSTEES....

BOARD OF ELDERS	
Anthony Bolkema, Jim Bosman, Corey Buchanan, Don DeGraff, Roger DeGraff, Jim DeGroot, Joanne Hoeksema, Russ Paarlberg, and Clint VerHagen	
BOARD OF DEACONS	
Randy DeBok, Ray Housman, Sara Jabaay, Rodger Norris, Lisa Triemstra, Noreen VanDeursen, Barry Voss, and Debbie Woltzen	
BOARD OF TRUSTEES	
2025/2026	Nyla DeGraff, Steve DeVries, and Rich Zimmerman
2026/2027	Adam Jabaay, Mark Spiekhout, and Don VanDeursen

SERMON NOTES...

Mark 5:1-20
“The Day of Salvation”
Dr. Matt Tuininga

EVERY SUNDAY, an Elder is assigned to pray in our Prayer Room for 20 minutes following the service. The Prayer Room is located through the doors and down the hallway from the Chapel (exit the Sanctuary from the door by the piano). The praying elder will be praying for those who attended the service, the needs of our congregation, and various parts of our church's life together. If you have a particular prayer request, stop by and the praying elder will pray with you (or you can join her or him in prayer for our church).



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SECRETARIES' OFFICE HOURS

9:00AM – NOON / Monday – Friday

STAFF...

Dr. Anthony Bolkema
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Pastor Corey Buchanan
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Jane Ackerman
Church Accountant

Nyla DeGraff
Church Administrator

Gerri VanBaren
Administrative Assistant

Darcy Daly
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Steve Alexander
Church Custodian

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Director of Family Life
Christian Pre-School & Day Care

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"First Reformed Church South Holland" or by visiting get.theapp.co/1779.



To get to know you better, please fill out our [Welcome Card](#) in the pew and place it in the offering plate. If you want more information about the life of First Church, make sure to include your email address.